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internal circumfrence of an anatomic

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Group No.: 3731

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Introductory Comments

This is in response to the office action mailed 12/14/2005.

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